

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
Northern District of California

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION OF  
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, et al.,

No. C 12-4008 MEJ

**ORDER RE: CASE STATUS**

Plaintiffs,

v.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,

Defendant.

Upon review of the parties' January 3, 2013 Joint Case Management Conference Statement (Dkt. No. 17), the Court VACATES the January 10 Case Management Conference and ORDERS as follows:

- 1) Within 30 days from today, Defendant shall provide Plaintiffs with a proposed search protocol for Item 1 of Plaintiffs' FOIA request. If unable to provide a search protocol, Defendant shall instead provide Plaintiffs with a written explanation as to why it should not be required to process Item 1. Once Defendant provides its search protocol or written explanation, the parties shall meet and confer within 7 days to determine if they are able to resolve this issue informally.
- 2) The parties shall file an updated joint case management statement by February 21, 2013.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: January 4, 2013

  
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Maria-Elena James  
United States Magistrate Judge